



Calendar

Sat Apr 28 All-School Work Day – 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Sun Apr 29 Family Dance and Potluck – in the gym – dance from 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.; potluck 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

Tue & Wed May 1 & 2 3rd Grade Play – “Moses” – Tuesday at 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m., Wednesday at 9:00 a.m.

Thu May 3 Grades 5-8 Field Trip

Fri May 4 May Day Celebration – Procession begins at 12:50 p.m. in the playground – see inside for additional information

Fri & Sat May 4 & 5 8th Grade Play – Friday concessions at 6:00 p.m., play at 6:30 p.m.; Saturday, chili and bread dinner at 6:00 p.m., play at 7:00 p.m. – Landmark Center Auditorium, 500 E. Jefferson St., Viroqua

Mon & Tue May 7 & 8 Mother’s Day Market – hosted by the 3rd Grade

Wed May 10 Pentathlon

LOST AND FOUND

Winter appears to be over. This Friday, come and see whether your child’s lost mittens or coat have found their way onto the table in our hallway!

Friday Assembly

Assembly begins at 8:20 AM

Apr 27 —Even Grades Assembly

May 4—No Assembly

May 11—No Assembly

What’s Cooking!

Even Grades Assembly this Friday, April 27th

At the assembly **this Friday, at 8:20 a.m.**, we will feature some upper-grades students performing their solo and ensemble pieces. Hope to see you there.

- Monika Sutherland and Stephanie Pedretti, Music Teachers

All-School Workday – April 28th

Join us for our spring clean-up on Saturday the 28th. **From 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**, we’ve got lots to do ‘cuz the greenin’ is back in season and, as you can surely see, the grounds need a bit of TLC. Please join us.

- Jon Dehlin, Facilities Committee

Viroqua Family Square Dance – April 29th

Please join us for a Family Square Dance, hosted by the Parent Association, **this Sunday, April 29th**, in the school gym, followed by a potluck. This event is open to the public, and everyone is welcome!

The dance begins at 3:30 p.m., with the potluck following from 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

There will be live music, with Sue Hulsether calling the dances. There will be dances appropriate for all ages and levels.

The cost is \$5 per person / \$15 per family.

For more information, call Pam Hughes at (608) 432-1863.

- Jordan Brudos, Parent Association

PRWS 2018 Summer Camps

PRWS will be offering 8 summer camps this year. Information regarding the camps is currently available on the PRWS website at:

<https://pleasantridgewaldorf.org/programs/summer-camp/>. The brochures will be available in the office by the end of the week.

- Jordan Brudos, Enrollment and Outreach Coordinator

EVENTS

May Day Celebration – Friday, May 4th

Spring has come and finally shown her true colors, and in the ancient northern tradition, we at Pleasant Ridge celebrate the marriage of Heaven and Earth that Spring embodies by enacting our May Day celebration Friday, May 4th. Light from the Sun pierces and weaves through space coming through resistance and darkness into Earth. The deeds and sufferings of the light reveal themselves as the colors we see; therefore, we see the straight and high Maypole with its many-colored ribbons as a picture of the Sun's light coming to Earth and culminating in the renewed life of Spring. Let us dance and celebrate Spring!

Friday, May 4th, at 12 :50 p.m., the May Procession shall begin, and all shall gather to the May Pole (by the 'big hill' in the playground). There, we shall discover the mysterious May Queen and King, dance, and play games. There will be an opportunity for parents to dance around the May Pole, should they choose, while the children play games. The Seventh Grade Plant Sale shall also occur throughout the festivities, a fundraiser for the 7th grade, will offer you an opportunity to take home beautiful plants. Please remember that the school dress code still applies to this festival, so dress accordingly (no bare feet). In the event of inclement weather, the May Pole dancing shall be celebrated in the gym at 1:50 p.m. See you all there!

- J. M. Ecklund, May Day Committee

7th Grade Plant Sale Update!

Do you remember what's in your garden? Hmm. Surely there is life under the snow. We, the parents and children of the 7th grade are trying to help you think Spring and are asking for your perennial splits and divisions for our plant sale. We are happy to have you drop off **labeled** plants to the school greenhouse, but if you would like us to come and dig in your garden, we could do that too! Call Margret at 637-7880 to schedule.

We hope to have plenty to offer **starting on Friday, May 4th**, our May Day Celebration, and we'll keep the sale going at least through Saturday, May 12th. So, whenever those plants decide to peek out of the ground, we'll take them!

- Margret Lenarz, Plant Sale Coordinator

A Wrinkle in Time – May 4th and 5th

The 8th grade proudly presents "A Wrinkle in Time," based on a story by Madeleine L'Engle, on May 4th and 5th in the Landmark Center Auditorium at 500 E. Jefferson St., Viroqua.

On May 4th, the Auditorium will open at 6:00 p.m. with popcorn and desserts. The play will begin at 6:30 p.m.

On May 5th, there will be a chili and bread dinner offered at 6:00 p.m. followed by the play at 7:00 p.m.

Food and concessions are being offered by the 7th grade class as a fundraiser for their 8th grade trip.

Parental guidance suggested for younger children.

- Mr. Schirmer, 8th Grade Teacher

Mother's Day Market May 7 and 8

The 3rd grade is hosting a Mother's Day Market! We are excited to practice making change, so our hand-made goodies will be priced at under a dollar each. This isn't aiming to be a fundraiser. There will be blank cards, bookmarks, beanbags, felted animals, and other gifts for Mother's Day. If you're interested, please send a couple dollars (dollar bills please, so we can make change!) along with your child to school Monday, May 7th. We will be splitting up shopping times for the other classes between Monday the 7th and Tuesday the 8th. Our class has worked hard on these special gifts, and I thank you for supporting our endeavor.

- Ms. Cinna and the Third Grade

ADMIN

Re-Enrollment - Final Steps

Please note the following changes to the re-enrollment process this year. To complete your children's re-enrollment for the 2018-2019 school year, the following items are **due by June 15th, 2018:**

- Your payment plan in the form of either post-dated checks for the entire year or a completed ACH (automatic withdrawal) form. ACH forms are available in the office or by email.
- Any open balances for 2017-2018 or any prior years, including all raffle and instrument rental balances, must be brought current.
- A \$150 supply fee for each grade student and a \$250 grocery fee for each kindergarten student enrolled for 2018-2019.

Please note that your re-enrollment is not finished until these steps are completed.

Contracts finalized after June 15th, 2018, will be assessed a \$250 late fee.

Please stop at the Business Office between 8:15 a.m. and 4 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays, or Fridays or between 1 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. on Tuesdays through the end of May or email finance@pleasantridgewaldorf.org to make an appointment to finalize your contract.

- Sofya Hundt, Business Coordinator

Reminder for ACH Hot Lunch Families!

For those of you who have had your hot lunch payments withdrawn automatically, don't forget that **you now must fill out a May hot lunch form (attached) and turn it in with a check** before the beginning of the month. Credits will be posted across from the office. Please stop in and ask if you have any questions.

- Nan Marshall, Office Manager

Positions Open at PRWS

PRWS is seeking a **part-time Music Teacher** for the 2018-2019 school year. Primary responsibilities include teaching Strings and Chorus to 4th – 8th grade students. Please submit cover letter, resume, and references to Amy Hazell, Administrative Chair: admin@pleasantridgewaldorf.org.

Pleasant Ridge Waldorf School is hiring a **Development Director** to lead and oversee a comprehensive development plan at Pleasant Ridge Waldorf School by cultivating long-lasting relationships within the school and wider community that support the advancement of the vision and mission of the school and that strengthen the school's culture of philanthropy. The Development Director is a full-time position. For specific details regarding this position, please refer to the Development Director job description found on our website. We are looking to identify our new administrative colleague as soon as possible to allow for training and mentoring. Application

- Amy Hazell, Administrative Chair

Lawn Mowing Sign-Up

Don't despair! Spring will come. Trees will bud. Flowers will bloom. And...the grass will grow. So, sign yourself up for some summer now! As in the past, we are looking for volunteers to take on a single round of mowing the PRWS main campus and Old Main Building grounds this summer. Please find the sign-up sheet hanging across from the main office and put your name down for a week that suits you.

The Facilities Committee will supply all necessary tools, gasoline, and reminders. Thank you for helping keep our school looking good and on this side of city regulations!

- Sofya Hundt & Joe Lenarz,
Facilities Committee

Return Concert Clothes

Please return your borrowed concert clothes to the office and have them checked off the list. Be sure to wash them first. Thank You!

- Nan Marshall, Office Manager

IN GRATITUDE

Dear Pleasant Ridge Community,

From the bottom of my heart I thank you all for the incredible tribute at the Spring Concert last Friday night. I will treasure the memory of it forever. Words cannot express how I felt surrounded by my beloved students while hearing the heartfelt and touching words spoken by Sylvi Shonka, Heron Splinter, and Ronald Schirmer. The flash-mob singing and procession of flowers were so joyful and beautiful. I am still reliving the memory of it. Thank you to all who helped plan this beautiful tribute. I am truly honored and humbled. Over the years I have received so much support from the students, families, faculty, and staff at PRWS. I am so grateful.

Thank you, Thank you, Thank you!

- Monika Sutherland, Music Teacher

Spring Concert Thank You!

Thank you to the many parents and teachers who helped with the spring concert details.

Amy Hazell, Ronald Schirmer, Betty Link, Christina Hotchkiss, Amy Morse, and Aaron Schmidt for helping at the morning run-through and evening performance.

Dodie Whitaker for all her support of the choruses and vocal groups. Margret Lenarz for overseeing and coordinating all the details!!

Kate Bergan, Cathy Brummer, Geri Shonka, and Diane and Gregory Splinter - stage and volunteer coordinators. Tracey Benton, Shelly Benneman, Jason Cole, Jon Dehlin, Jerrod Getz, Bryn Hawklove, Cyndy Hubbard, Dan Krings, Jess Leinberger, Joe Lenarz, Eric Meyer, Jim and Tammy Olson, Matt Shortridge, Paul Vina, and Jennifer Wade – Volunteers.

Thank you all!

- Monika Sutherland and Stephanie Pedretti, Music Teachers

COMMUNITY NEWS

Chamber Music at Pierce Hill Performing Arts!

Sunday, May 6th, at 3:00 p.m., violinists Noah Geller and Larisa Elisha, violists Michael Strauss and Ben Geller, and cellists Wyatt Sutherland and Steven Elisha perform Brahms and Tchaikovsky. Tickets are \$20 (students tickets are \$10) and can be purchased at Viroqua Food Co-op, Ewetopia

Fiber Shop, and online

at <https://www.piercehillperformingarts.org/>.

Family rates are available - email:

piercehillperformingarts@gmail.com.

Questions? Contact Monika or Wyatt Sutherland at monika@yellowcello.com or call 920-421-2075.

Looking for a position in Local Food? The Fifth Season Cooperative is hiring

a full-time Member and Marketing Coordinator, based in Viroqua. Flexible, fast-paced position working with local farmers, processors, and distributors to source and fill weekly customer orders, set up deliveries, conduct email communications, and organize paperwork. Must have excellent verbal/written communication and organizational skills. Experience working with farmers highly recommended. Apply immediately; position open until filled. Call Sue Noble at 608.638.8332 for details.

Tainter Creek Farmer-Led Watershed Council Presents: Streams and Farms Field Day, Saturday, June 2nd, 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Join us for a rainfall simulator demonstration, free fishing for children and families with Trout Expert Jay Thurston, and learning about what lives in our streams and how to keep trout happy and healthy. Free lunch provided. Bruce and Sue Ristow Farm, 50324 County Rd. B, Soldiers Grove, WI. For more information, call 608-637-5480.

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2. Ads will be printed only once.
3. Put your ad in the folder in the LBE's mailbox in the Office marked "Lunchbox Community News" OR e-mail ad to info@pleasantridgewaldorf.org with "Community News" in the subject line.
4. Deadline is Tuesdays at 8:30am. There may be occasions, due to unforeseen circumstances or space restrictions, that the Community section will not be printed. Thank you.